This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1 (Currently Amended) A heterofunctional crosslinking reagent having

2 the formula:

3 wherein $L^{1}[[,]]$ and L^{2} are each independently selected from the group consisting of a 4 5 bond, a substituted or unsubstituted (C₂-C₂₄) alkylene group, a substituted or 6 unsubstituted (C₂-C₂₄) heteroalkylene group, a polyethyleneglycol group, a 7 polyalcohol group, a polyamine group, a polyester group and a 8 polyphosphodiester group; -L³-Z is an optionally protected amino acid side chain selected from the group 9 10 consisting of lysine side chain, cysteine side chain, serine side chain, 11 aspartic acid side chain, glutamic acid side chain, and threonine side 12 chain; 13 X is a non-covalent protein tag binder that specifically binds to a protein tag portion 14 of a protein; and 15 Y is a photoactivatable covalent crosslinking group adapted to covalently link the 16 heterofunctional crosslinking reagent at or adjacent to said protein tag, said 17 said photoactivatable covalent crosslinking group is a member selected from the group consisting of aryl ketones, azides, diazo compounds, 18 19 diazirenes, and ketenes; and

- 20 Z is a protected or unprotected chemical crosslinking group that covalently links
 21 the heterofunctional crosslinking reagent to a label or support wherein Z
 22 is rendered inactive when protected.
- 1 **2.-4.** (Canceled)
- 1 5. (Original) A heterofunctional crosslinking reagent of claim 1, wherein 2 L¹ is a cleavable linking group.
- 1 **6.-8.** (Canceled)
- 9. (Original) A heterofunctional crosslinking reagent of claim 1, wherein X is selected from the group consisting of metal chelating groups, peptides, an organoarsenical moiety and small molecule ligands or inhibitors.
- 1 **10.-25.** (Canceled)

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wherein

1 **26**. (Currently Amended) A protein conjugate comprising a protein and a heterofunctional crosslinking reagent, said conjugate having the formula:

- L¹[[,]] and L² and L³ are each independently selected from the group consisting of a bond, a substituted or unsubstituted (C₂-C₂₄) alkylene group, a substituted or unsubstituted (C₂-C₂₄) heteroalkylene group, a polyethyleneglycol group, a polyalcohol group, a polyamine group, a polyester group and a polyphosphodiester group;
- -L³-Z is an optionally protected amino acid side chain selected from the group
 consisting of lysine side chain, cysteine side chain, serine side chain,
 aspartic acid side chain, glutamic acid side chain, and threonine side
 chain;

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13	X is a non-covalent protein tag binder that specifically binds to a protein tag portion
14	of a protein; and
15	Y' is the residue of a photoactivatable covalent crosslinking group after formation of a
16	covalent linkage to said protein, said photoactivatable covalent crosslinking
17	group covalently attached at or adjacent to said protein tag, said
18	photoactivatable covalent crosslinking group is a member selected from
19	the group consisting of aryl ketones, azides, diazo compounds, diazirenes,
20	and ketenes; and
21	Z is a protected or unprotected chemical crosslinking group that covalently links
22	the heterofunctional crosslinking reagent to a label or support wherein Z
23	is rendered inactive when protected.
1	27. (Original) A protein-conjugate comprising a protein and a covalently
2	attached heterofunctional linking group of claim 1.
1	2877. (Canceled)
1	78. (Previously presented) A heterofunctional crosslinking reagent of
2	claim 1, wherein X is an antibody or antibody fragment.